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Chief Executive Officer

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May 6, 2008

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION: APPROVE THE SOUTH COAST  
BOTANIC GARDENS SECURITY FENCING GRAFFITI PREVENTION PROJECT  
(C.P. NO. 86987), RELATED APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT,  
PROJECT BUDGET, AND YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PLAN  
(FOURTH DISTRICT) (4 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

Approve the South Coast Botanic Gardens Security Fencing Graffiti Prevention Project in the amount of \$101,000; establishment of Capital Project Number 86987 and related appropriation adjustment; and Youth Employment Plan as required by the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Find the project categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons cited herein.
2. Establish Capital Project Number 86987 for South Coast Botanic Gardens Security Fencing Graffiti Prevention Project and approve project budget in the amount of \$101,000.
3. Approve the appropriation adjustment to increase the capital project budget by \$101,000; \$85,000 from the Regional Park and Open Space District Competitive Excess Grant Fund, and \$16,000 from the South Coast Botanic Gardens Special Development Fund to the C.P. No. 86987.

Board of Supervisors  
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4. Approve the Youth Employment Plan and authorize the Department of Parks and Recreation to proceed with the project by using Board approved As-Needed Agreement with the Los Angeles Conservation Corps.

#### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) to proceed with the security fencing graffiti prevention project at the South Coast Botanic Gardens, located at 26300 Crenshaw Boulevard, Palos Verdes. The proposed project will be completed utilizing Board approved As-Needed Agreement with the Los Angeles Conservation Corps.

The proposed project consists of replacing an existing deteriorated chain link fence along Rolling Hills Road (East property line) and the horse trail (South property line) with a new chain link fence. The new fence will increase security and make the garden less accessible to graffiti and vandalism and protect the collection of rare and unusual trees and plants at the South Coast Botanic Gardens.

The estimated total project cost is \$101,000, which will be funded from Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 (Prop A) Competitive Excess Funds and the South Coast Botanic Gardens Special Development Fund. The Project Schedule and Budget Summary are included in Attachment A. The anticipated completion date of the project is September 2008.

In addition, the tasks to be performed under the Youth Employment Plan include removal and disposal of the plant and fence material and replacement of fence posts (Attachment B).

#### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

Approval of the recommended actions supports County Strategic Plan Fiscal Responsibility (Goal No. 4) by investing in public infrastructure and Children and Families' Well-Being (Goal No. 5) by improving economic well-being, safety, and educational/workforce readiness of the children and families of the County.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

On June 19, 2007, your Board adopted a Resolution Authorizing Submission of a Grant Application for 2007 Competitive Excess Grant Funds for South Coast Botanic Gardens Security Fencing Graffiti Prevention Project and the grant was awarded to the

Department. Under the 2007 Competitive Grant Guidelines, the Department is required to match the awarded grant by 15 percent.

The estimated total project cost is \$101,000 which is funded by Prop. A Competitive Excess Grant Funds in the amount of \$85,000 and the matching 15 percent is funded from the South Coast Botanic Gardens Special Development Fund in the amount of \$16,000. There is no impact on net County cost. The attached appropriation adjustment will increase the funding to the project and is included as Attachment C. Upon your Board approval of the appropriation adjustment, sufficient appropriation will be included in the Fiscal Year 2007-08 Capital Projects/Refurbishments Budget for C.P. No. 86987 to fund the proposed project.

#### **Operating Budget Impact**

Based on the project description, the Department does not anticipate any one-time and/or ongoing costs resulting from the recommended action. The purpose of the recommended action is to replace an existing structure that didn't require any maintenance.

Should the necessity arise, the Department will work with the Chief Executive Office to determine the appropriate level of maintenance and available funding.

#### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

On June 19, 2007, your Board adopted a Resolution Authorizing Submission of a Grant Application for 2007 Competitive Excess Grant Funds for South Coast Botanic Gardens Security Fencing Graffiti Prevention Project. The project was awarded the grant of \$85,000 under the Regional Parks and Open Space District 2007 Competitive Grant Program provides \$2,000,000 in funding for the acquisition, development, improvement and/or rehabilitation of real property in the Fourth Supervisorial District.

Under the provisions of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District's policy on employment of youth, the Youth Employment Minimum Obligation (YEMO) of the County of Los Angeles is \$15,739,750 (equal to 50 percent of the total maintenance and servicing funding from Proposition A of 1992 and 1996). Even though the County's minimum obligation has been met; the Department actively pursues employment opportunities for at-risk youth on all projects where feasible.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The proposed project is categorically exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) according to Sections 15301, 15302 (c), of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 1 and 2 (e) of the Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, because the project provides for the replacement of existing facilities with no expansion of use beyond that previously existing.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

The proposed project will be completed utilizing this Board approved contract. On December 5, 2006, your Board approved an As-Needed Agreement between the Department and the Los Angeles Conservation Corps to provide services utilizing at-risk youth to perform landscaping, maintenance, and minor improvement projects.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The recommended actions will not impact County services or current projects at this location.

### **CONCLUSION**

Please instruct the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board to return one conformed copy of this letter to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects Division, and three conformed copies to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Respectfully submitted,



WILLIAM T FUJIOKA  
Chief Executive Officer

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Attachments

c: County Counsel  
Department of Parks and Recreation

**ATTACHMENT A**

**DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION: APPROVE THE SOUTH COAST  
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**I. PROJECT SCHEDULE**

<b>Project Activity</b>	<b>Scheduled Completion Date</b>
Construction Documents	N/A
Jurisdictional Approvals	N/A
Construction Award	05/08
Construction Start	06/08
Substantial Completion	08/08
Final Acceptance	09/08

**II. PROPOSED PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY**

<b>Budget Category</b>	<b>Proposed Project Budget</b>
Land Acquisition	N/A
Construction	
(a) Installation of New Fence	\$21,000
(b) Youth Labor	<u>\$20,000</u>
Total	\$41,000
Materials including green fencing	\$60,000
County Services	N/A
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$101,000</b>

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION  
SOUTH COAST BOTANIC GARDENS  
SECURITY FENCING GRAFFITI PREVENTION PROJECT  
(C.P. NO. 86987) (GRANT NO. P090-08-2151)  
YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PLAN**

**BACKGROUND (Scope of Work)**

The location of the project is at the South Coast Botanic Gardens, located at 26300 Crenshaw Boulevard, Palos Verdes Peninsula. The project consists of replacing an existing deteriorated chain link fence along Rolling Hills Road (East property line) and the horse trail (South property line) with a new chain link fence. The new fence will increase security and make the garden less accessible to graffiti and vandalism and protect the collection of rare and unusual trees and plants at the South Coast Botanic Gardens.

**Tasks that may be performed by At-Risk Youth**

- Removal and disposal of the plant and fence material; and
- Placement of fence posts.

**Estimated Cost/Hours of Youth Employment**

- 500 hours

**Method of Youth Employment**

- Utilization of existing Los Angeles Conservation Corps contract

**Youth Employment Goal:**

Under the provisions of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District's policy on employment of youth, the Youth Employment Minimum Obligation (YEMO) of the County of Los Angeles is \$15,739,750 (equal to fifty percent of the total maintenance and servicing funding from Proposition A of 1992 and 1996). Even though the County's minimum obligation has been met, the Department actively pursues employment opportunities for at-risk youth on all projects where feasible.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT

Dept's  
No. 600 - 08008

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

April 21, 2008

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. WILL YOU PLEASE REPORT AS TO ACCOUNTING AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION.

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

**4-VOTE MATTER**

Fiscal Year 2007-08

FINANCIAL SOURCES:

\$117,000

FINANCIAL USES:

\$117,000

**ADOPTED**  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

SEE ATTACHED

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**JUSTIFICATION:** Adjustment is necessary to increase the revenue and appropriation in order to provide sufficient funds to establish a new South Coast Botanic Gardens Security Fencing Graffiti Prevention project.

*Sachin A. Hamal*  
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

*Teresa Lam*  
Teresa Lam, Accounting Officer III

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF  
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR --

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

NO: 217

ACTION

RECOMMENDATION

BY *John Shikuma*

*April 22* 20 *08*

APPROVED AS REQUESTED

*4-23* 20 *08*

AS REVISED

APPROVED (AS REVISED):  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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BY

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

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